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Warwick House
Near Upper Hill
Private

c. 1870-1890

The Warwick House stands on the northeast side of Fishing Island Road and approximately a mile west of Upper Hill. The abandoned farmhouse dates to the decade of the 1870s or 1880s and is distinguished by a pair of front gables. To the rear, a shorter two-story kitchen wing extends and is different from most, with a hip roof, dentiled eaves and a side wall location for the brick chimney. This unusual chimney location is due to a narrow stair hall, which is partitioned from the kitchen. The house is known locally as the birthplace and home of one of the present county commissioners, Earl Warwick.

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. S-158

Magi No. 2001585604

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Warwick House

2. Location

street & number N side of Fishing Is. Road ☐ not for publication

city, town Upper Fairmount ☒ vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Somerset

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Col. James M. Clow

street & number 5720 Fisher Road SE telephone no.:

city, town Washington state and zip code D.C. 20031

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Somerset Register of Deeds liber

street & number Somerset County Courthouse folio

city, town Princess Anne, state Maryland 21853

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition

☐ excellent

☒ good

☐ fair

☐ deteriorated

☐ ruins

☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered

☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site

☐ moved

date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The "Warwick House" stands on the northeast side of Fishing Island Road and near the community of Upper Hill, Maryland. The main facade has a southern exposure with the main gable running east/west.

The c. 1870-1880 two-and-a-half story three-bay center hall frame house is sheathed with weatherboards and covered by a steeply pitched asphalt tile roof. A pair of cross-gables distinguish the main roof slope, and twin chimneys rise from the house to flank the hall. A heavily molded front door is flanked by a sidelights and a transom.

To the rear, a shorter two-story kitchen wing is attached and is distinguished by a hip roof, dentiled eaves and a side wall location for the brick chimney. This unusual chimney location is due to a narrow stair hall which is partitioned from the kitchen next to the north gable end wall. The c. 1870 turned newel post and balusters survive intact.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

This abandoned farmhouse dates to the decade of the 1870s or 1880s and is distinguished by a pair of front gables. To the rear, a hip roofed kitchen is distinguished by the side wall location of the chimney stack. The kitchen chimney is located on the east wall because the back or north wall is occupied by a stair hall.

The house is known locally as the birthplace of one of the present County Commissioners, Earl Warwick.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name MarionQuadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A

Zone	Easting			Northing					

B

Zone	Easting			Northing					

C

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D

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Paul Touart - Architectural Historianorganization Somerset County Historical Trust date 10/7/83street & number 424 North Somerset Avenue telephone 651-1094 (Home)city or town Princess Anne state Maryland 21853

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The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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South Elevation

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Northeast Elevation

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